

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL NOTE**

**SB 579 – HB 1160**

March 22, 2017

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires admitted applicants for teacher training programs to have a composite ACT score of 21, at least a 525 on the GED®, at least a 170 on the revised GED, a 15 on the HiSET, at least a 3.0 high school grade point average (GPA), or an associate degree with at least a 3.0 grade point average.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions:

- Based on information from the Department of Education (DOE), the current standard for entrance into a teacher training program is an ACT score of 21 or an SAT score of 1020 and passage of the Praxis I: Core Academic Skills for Educators.
- No decrease in the number of students pursuing teaching as a career is anticipated.
- Based on information from the DOE, the fiscal impact to state government of adding a GPA, GED score, or HiSET score requirement is estimated to be not significant.
- No impact on local government.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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